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**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Previously Cancelled)
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8. (Previously Cancelled)
9. (Previously Amended) A method comprising:  
running guest software in a processor mode that enables the guest software to  
operate at a privilege level intended by the guest software;  
identifying an attempt of the guest software to perform an operation restricted by  
said processor mode;

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determining that the attempt of the guest software would succeed if the guest software was running outside said processor mode; and  
exiting said processor mode to transfer control over the operation to a virtual machine monitor running outside said processor mode.

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